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REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is requested. Applicant appreciates Examiner's indication

that claims 1, 2, 4-18 and 23 are allowed. Claims 19-22 have been canceled without prejudice.

Applicant has also addressed each of the issues raised under 35 USC Section 103(a) in this

Amendment to place this application in condition for allowance pursuant to Examiner's indication.

No new matter has been added.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Examiner's rejection of claims 19-22 under 35 USC

Section 103(a), as being anticipated by McKay et al in view of Yaskai. Notwithstanding the

amendments to the claims, Applicant submits that the claims 19-22 do not read on McKay et al and

Yaskai et al and that Applicant's invention as claimed is structurally and fundamentally distinct

therefrom, individually and in combination. In addition, neither Mckay et al nor Yaskai et al

motivate the proffered combination. McKay et al and Yaskai et al fail to disclose the claimed subject

matter and are completely different from Applicant's claimed subject matter. It is axiomatic in any

proper Section 103 rejection that every element of the invention as claimed be contained or

suggested in the cited references combined and that there be a motivation for the combination.

Applicant submits that the cited art is structurally distinct from Applicant's claimed invention in

claims 19-22 and fail to render these claims obvious. Notwithstanding, Claims 19-22 have been

canceled, without prejudice, to place the application in condition for allowance.

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For the reasons indicated above, Applicant asserts that claims 1, 2, 4-18 and 23 patentably

distinguish Applicant's invention over the prior art of record, and are in condition for allowance.

Applicant respectfully requests that the above rejections be reconsidered and withdrawn since the

overall invention, as recited in Applicant's claims is neither taught nor suggested by the cited prior

art.

Should the Examiner have any concerns or comments, the undersigned would appreciate a

telephone conference in order to expedite this case.

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